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In re Application of  
Randall W. Nelson, et al.  
Application No. 09/024,988  
Filed: February 17, 1998  
Attorney Docket No. 530-005

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed March 18, 2002, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed March 15, 2001, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. A one(1) month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on July 16, 2001.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Cheryl Gibson-Baylor at (703)308-5111, or in her absence, Sherry Brinkley at (703)305-9220.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 1600, Art Unit 1642 for processing the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 filed with the instant petition.

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